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The proposed settlement changes NOTHING. Perhaps even exacerbates the problem by forcing MS into the education market. There will never be a "good" time to reign in Microsoft, but the longer we wait the harder it will be when finally, everyone realizes what is at stake here.

A good start would be to wean the government off of MS products. Then, maybe start with education. Proprietary file formats are used as a means to force upgrades and lock consumers into a single product.

Please - reconsider the settlement.

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